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**Patent Application**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: **Harris et al.**

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FORMED THEREWITH**

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Examiner: **H. Lilling**

**FIRST SUBMISSION AFTER FINAL REJECTION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.129(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This application is pending for at least two (2) years as of June 8, 1995, taking into account earlier applications from which benefit is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 or 365(c). The following is Applicants' first submission after final rejection under 37 C.F.R. §1.129(a) to a Final Office Action dated December 17, 1998 and is filed prior to the filing of an appeal brief (a Notice of Appeal was filed on June 15, 1999) and prior to abandonment of the application. Applicants hereby request that the finality of the rejections be withdrawn pursuant to §1.129(a). Claims 15 and 45-58 are pending in this application. Claims 15 and 45-58 stand rejected. Applicants submit that arguments presented below establish the patentability of the claimed subject matter.

**In the Claims**

Please amend claim 15, as follows:

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